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Applicants : Leszek Wojnowski and Elisabeth Hustert
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Examiner : Gyan Chandra
For : POLYMORPHISMS IN THE HUMAN hPXR GENE
AND THEIR USE IN DIAGNOSTIC AND
THERAPEUTIC APPLICATIONS

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This responds to the November 18, 2005 Final Office Action in the above-identified application. This Response is filed concurrently with a Petition for a three-month extension of time for responding to that action under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), together with the requisite extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). With this extension of time, a response is due on or before May 18, 2006. Thus, this response is timely filed.

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

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Response dated November 18, 2005
Response to Office Action dated May 18, 2006

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.